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1. **Alsea** (Alséya) (*†*)
2. **Yaquina** (Yakwina, Yakona) (*†*)

The name *Alsea* derives from the Coosan name for them, *alsí* or *alsí́*, and the Marys River Kalapuyan name for them, *alsí́·ya*. Alsea was last recorded in 1942 from the last speaker, John Albert, by J. P. Harrington.

Alsea is usually considered to belong to the Penutian phylum, and may form part of a Coast Oregon Penutian subgroup together with Siuslaw and the Coosan languages.^[3] Numerous lexical resemblances between Alsea and the Northern Wintuan languages, however, are more likely the result of borrowing about 1,500 years ago when the (Northern) Wintuan speech community appears to have been located in Oregon.^[4]

Consonants

Alesea	
Alesea-Yaquina / Yakonan	
Pronunciation	/ˈælsiː/
Region	Oregon
Ethnicity	Alesea people, Yaquina people
Extinct	1942, with the death of John Albert
Language family	Coast Oregon Penutian ? Alesea
Dialects	Alesea Yaquina
Language codes	
ISO 639-3	aes
Glottolog	alse1251 (http://glottolog.org/resource/language/id/alse1251) ^[1]
	
Pre-contact distribution of Alesean	

		Bilabial	Alveolar		Alveo-palatal	Palatal	Velar		Uvular		Glottal	
			plain	lateral			plain	labialized	plain	labialized	plain	labialized
Stop	plain	p	t				k	k ^w	q	q ^w		
	ejective	p'	t'				k'	k' ^w	q'	q' ^w	ʔ	
Affricate	plain				tɬ							
	ejective			tɬ'	tɬ'							
Fricative				ɬ	ɬ		x	x ^w	χ	χ ^w	h	(h ^w)
Nasal	plain	m	n									
	glottalized	m'	n'									
Approximant	plain			l		j		w				
	glottalized			l'		j'		w'				

- The status of /h^w/ is uncertain.
- /ɬ/, /tɬ/ and /tɬ'/ are spelled as s, c and ć in modern descriptions.^{[2][5]} Their phonetic value has been described as "palatal",^[6] or "between alveolar and palatal".^[2]

Vowels

Three vowels are listed as /a, i, u/. Long vowel variants of /i, u/ are [eː, oː]. A mid vowel /ə/ occurs as a phonetically inserted vowel sound.^[5]

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